

October 15, 2018

City of Bremen Council Meeting

Public Safety Complex 191 N Georgia Ave. Bremen, GA 30110

City Officials in Attendance:	Mayor Sewell and Council Members: Dobby Harris, Jai Otwell, Salli Thomason, Lin Clayton
Administration in Attendance:	City Manager Perry Hicks, Operations Manager Mike Thompson, City Clerk Amy Ridley, Librarian Lisa Walton-Cagle, City Attorney Sam Price, Fire Chief Jay Hurley, Police Captain Richard Harrison, Recreation Director Matt Cody, Codes Enforcer Steve Muse, Library Assistant Pat Johnson

6:00 P.M.
Work Session
Mayor & City Council
Informal Discussions Session

Mayor Sewell called the work session to order at 6:00 pm and the below listed items were the topics of discussion. This session is a period of informal comments and questioning among the Mayor and Council Members as well as the Department Heads and the City Attorney. There are no actions taken during the work session.

Department Head Updates
Fire / Safer Grant
Downtown Development Authority Update

Mayor Sewell adjourned the work session at 7:00 pm.

7:00 PM
City Council Meeting
Mayor & Council Members
Regular Scheduled Council Session

Meeting Agenda

- 1. Call Meeting to Order
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Invocation
- 4. Review and Modification of the Agenda
- 5. Approval of the Minutes from the September 17, 2018 Regular Meeting
- 6. Nuisance Declaration Ordinance
- 7. ReZoning Request for 514 McPherson Street from R-20 to R-15
- 8. Open to the Public
- 9. Adjourn

Call to Order

Mayor Sewell called the regular scheduled council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. followed by the pledge of allegiance and invocation.

Review & Modification of the Agenda

Mayor Sewell added item number 7a to the agenda for approval of a Safer Grant for the Fire Department.

Approval of Minutes

Mayor Sewell asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the regular council meeting held on September 17, 2018.

Council Member Otwell made a motion that Council Member Thomason seconded, to approve the minutes of the regular council meeting held on September 17, 2018. The motion carried unanimously.

Nuisance Declaration Ordinance

Mayor Sewell stated that this is the second reading for the Nuisance Declaration Ordinance and she asked for a motion to approve the ordinance.

A motion was made by Council Member Clayton and seconded by Council Member Harris to approve the Nuisance Declaration Ordinance. The motion carried unanimously.

Re-Zoning Request for 514 McPherson Street

Mayor Sewell opened the floor for a public hearing for the rezoning request of 514 McPherson Street from R20 zoning to R15 zoning. She asked if anyone was present to speak in favor or in opposition of the rezoning request.

Mr. Guy Darnell was present to speak in favor and stated that this portion of the property faces Lucky Street and they are requesting the rezoning so that the lot may be sold as a separate building lot.

There was no one to speak in opposition of the rezoning request for 514 McPherson Street.

Council Member Otwell made a motion to rezone the property located at 514 McPherson Street from R20 to R15. Council Member Harris seconded the motion made by Otwell and the motion carried unanimously.

Safer Grant / Fire Department

Mayor Sewell stated that Fire Chief Jay Hurley had applied for a Safer Grant, back in 2017, that would pay for the salaries and benefits of 3 additional Firefighters for a 3-year period. We have now been awarded the grant and will need approval from council in order for Chief Hurley to accept the grant.

A motion was made by Council Member Thomason to approve the Safer Grant for 3 additional Firefighters for the City of Bremen. Council Member Harris seconded the motion to approve the Safer Grant and the motion carried unanimously.

Open to the Public

Jason Powers of Stonebridge Subdivision was present and addressed the mayor and council regarding the installation of a speed hump in Stonebridge. He stated that the residents of Stonebridge voted to petition the City of Bremen to install a speed hump in Stonebridge. He specified that the residents want the humps and not speed bumps.

Mayor Sewell stated that the cost of the speed humps are very expensive compared to the speed bumps but we will look into the issue and the cost of installing the humps.

There was no further business to come before the mayor and council from the floor.

Meeting Adjourn

Mayor Sewell asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Council Member Thomason made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:20 pm and the meeting adjourned.